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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 in the above-captioned application.

- ☒ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
☐ A Request for Extension of Time.
☒ No Additional Fee.

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Sir :

In response to the Official Action of February 10, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on May 10, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.